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 projects, which include the allowance of regional decisions to be appealed to the State
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- Whatcom County, Washington health officials reported May 6 that 23 E. coli cases were confirmed and 22 additional cases are pending lab results following an outbreak at the Milk Makers Fest in April. Associated Press (See item <u>27</u>)
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Energy Sector

1. May 6, Associated Press – (North Dakota) Official: 'Significant' brine spill enters North Dakota lake. North Dakota Department of Health officials are investigating May 6, the amount saltwater that entered Smishek Lake near the town of Powers Lake after 63,000 gallons of saltwater leaked from the Oasis Petroleum-owned North Cottonwood pipeline May 4. Crews recovered about 4,000 barrels of liquid from the area and officials reported that preliminary tests did not indicate any adverse effects to the lake or drinking water in the area.

Source: http://www.seattlepi.com/news/us/article/Official-Significant-63K-gallon-brine-spill-6246119.php

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

- 2. May 5, U.S. Department of Labor (New York) Employees of Utica, New York, steel and pipe manufacturer face laceration, crushing, exit access and fall hazards. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration cited Pacemaker Steel & Piping Co. Inc., of Utica, with three repeat and four serious violations May 5, including amputation and laceration hazards from inadequately guarded saw blades, struck by hazards from improperly loaded forklift attachments, and exit access and slipping-related hazards in the facility. Proposed fines total \$45,500.
 - $\frac{https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEASES\&p_id=27909}{EES\&p_id=27909}$
- 3. May 5, U.S. Department of Labor (Alabama) Sabel Steel Service Inc. exposes workers to unsafe levels of lead, fall and electrical shock hazards. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration issued Montgomery-based Sabel Steel Service Inc., nine serious citations May 5 for failing to protect employees from lead hazards and other violations, including not having standard guardrails, not providing procedures for performing maintenance and servicing of equipment, and exposing workers to electrical

shock hazards. Proposed fines total \$51,476.

Source:

https://www.osha.gov/pls/oshaweb/owadisp.show_document?p_table=NEWS_RELEA SES&p_id=27912

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Financial Services Sector

4. *May 6, Sacramento Bee* – (California) **Six people convicted in Sacramento-area mortgage fraud scheme.** Six Sacramento residents were convicted of wire fraud May 6 in connection to a mortgage fraud scheme in which they served as straw buyers for area homes and obtained over \$5 million in loans from 2007 – 2008 by using falsified applications and documentation.

Source: http://www.sacbee.com/news/local/crime/article20396163.html

5. May 6, Reuters – (National) US charges ex-Wilmington Trust officers over troubled loans. Four executives from Wilmington Trust Co., a part of M&T Bank Corp, were indicted May 6 on charges alleging that they concealed the amount of loans that were not being repaid from U.S. regulators following the financial crisis. The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission previously brought related civil charges against the individuals for their roles.

 ${\color{red}Source: \underline{http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/05/06/mt-bnk-us-wilmingtontrust-\underline{charges-idUSL1N0XX40N20150506}}$

- 6. *May* 6, *Reuters* (National) **Ex-MillerCoors executive, 7 others charged for \$7 mln fraud.** U.S. authorities announced charges May 6 against a former MillerCoors executive and seven others for their roles in an alleged scheme in which they defrauded the brewing company out of at least \$7 million by falsely billing for promotional and marketing services. The individuals allegedly used the money for personal expenses, collectible firearms, and investments in a hotel and bar, among other things. Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/05/06/millercoors-crime-colletti-idUSL1N0XX1XD20150506
- 7. May 5, Springfield News-Leader (International) Feds: Republic man gathers \$14.5 million for phony video games. Authorities unsealed Federal charging documents revealing that the former owner of multiple video game companies including Interzone Entertainment, LLC, and Spectacle Games, was indicted in June 2014 on charges of wire fraud and money laundering after the suspect allegedly raised over \$14.5 million from clients for companies in Missouri, Chicago, Australia, Brazil, and China since 2008, which produced less than \$2,300 in revenue in that period. Authorities claimed

the suspect solicited funds to create video games, but instead used the money for personal expenses.

Source: http://www.news-leader.com/story/news/crime/2015/05/04/feds-republic-mangathers-million-phony-video-games/26897405/

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Transportation Systems Sector

- 8. *May* 7, *KGTV* 10 San Diego (California) **Suicidal person shuts down Coronado Bridge.** Authorities closed the Coronado Bridge in San Diego for more than 4 hours
 May 6 while they safely talked a suicidal person into coming down from the bridge
 after the individual stopped their car and sat on a guardrail.

 Source: http://www.10news.com/news/coronado-bay-bridge-closed-in-both-directions-050615
- 9. *May 7, USA Today; Associated Press* (Oklahoma; Nebraska; Kansas) **Tornadoes roar across the Plains.** A series of tornados moved across Oklahoma May 6 which left at least 12 people injured, destroyed about 35 homes, delayed flights at Will Rogers Airport, closed 2 highways, and flooded government buildings. A number of reported tornadoes in Nebraska also damaged 10-15 homes and destroyed a hog bar in Harvey County.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.usatoday.com/story/weather/2015/05/06/tornadoes-plains/70902052/$

- 10. *May* 7, *Santa Rosa Press Democrat* (California) **Elderly Petaluma couple die in Highway 121 head-on crash.** Highway 121 in Sonoma County was closed for 4 hours May 6 while investigators gathered evidence and cleared the scene of a collision that killed 2 people. Authorities are investigating the cause of the crash.

 Source: http://www.pressdemocrat.com/news/3898891-181/two-die-in-highway-121
- 11. *May* 6, *Chicago Sun-Times* (Illinois) **More than 130 flights canceled as fog covers Chicago area.** More than 130 flights were canceled at Chicago Midway International Airport and Chicago O'Hare International Airport May 6 due to heavy fog that blanketed the area.

Source: http://chicago.suntimes.com/news/7/71/582163/130-flights-canceled-fog-covers-chicago-area

12. *May 6, KAKE 10 Wichita* – (Kansas) **Train derails in Sumner County.** Forty-one Union Pacific train cars derailed in Sumner County, Kansas, May 6 prompting the indefinite closure of the track while crews worked to clean up the site and replace about 500 feet of damaged tracks.

Source: http://www.kake.com/home/headlines/Train-derails-in-Sumner-County-302785901.html

13. May 6, Palm Beach Post – (Florida) Boca man, 20, dies in SUV crash on I-95 in Lantana; other injured ID'd. Northbound lanes of Interstate 95 in Lantana were

closed for approximately 4 hours May 6 while officials investigated a fatal crash involving 3 vehicles that left 1 person dead and 6 others injured.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.palmbeachpost.com/news/news/local/northbound-i-95-blocked-south-of-lantana-road-exit/nk9yq/$

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Food and Agriculture Sector

14. *May 6, Associated Press* – (Missouri) **Bird flu virus creeps into northeastern Missouri.** Agriculture officials confirmed May 6 that a backyard flock of more than 140 birds in Lewis County was infected with the H5N2 avian flu, marking the third case in Missouri since it was first detected in April in a different region of the State. The flock was quarantined and destroyed as a precaution.

Source: http://www.ledger-enquirer.com/2015/05/06/3706035_bird-flu-virus-creeps-across-missouri.html

15. May 6, Des Moines Register – (Iowa) Disposal a struggle in Iowa's bird-flu outbreak. Six additional H5N2 avian flu cases were confirmed in poultry flocks across Iowa May 6, bringing the total number of infected flocks in the State to 34. The Iowa Department of Natural Resources issued three temporary permits that will allow a contractor to set up large portable incinerators to aid in the disposal of several million birds that have been affected by the virus.

Source: http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2015/05/06/disposal-struggle-iowas-bird-flu-outbreak/70918982/

16. May 6, Hollister Free Lance – (California) Quarantine set in Hollister area for citrus pest. The California Department of Food & Agriculture placed 106 square miles near Hollister under quarantine after an Asian citrus psyllid was detected on a lemon tree in a residential area in April.

Source: http://www.sanbenitocountytoday.com/news/agriculture/quarantine-set-in-hollister-area-for-citrus-pest/article_f0378414-f423-11e4-992a-e34acdf43a39.html

17. May 6, U.S. Food and Drug Administration – (National) Golden Krust Caribbean Bakery & Grill issues allergy alert on undeclared egg in Jamaican style Shrimp and Soya Patties. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration reported May 6 that New York-based Golden Krust Caribbean Bakery & Grill issued a recall for 6,188 cases of its Shrimp and Soya Patties products due to undeclared egg. The recalled products were packaged in bulk cases and distributed to Golden Krust stores in several States. Source: http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm445992.htm

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Water and Wastewater Systems Sector

18. *May* 6, *Reuters* – (California) California approves first statewide seawater desalination rules. The California State Resources Control Board approved May 6 the first Statewide rules for authorizing seawater desalination projects, which include the allowance of regional decisions to be appealed to the State board for review if individuals oppose permits given to the State's regional water boards to build seawater treatment plants, and specific guidance for meeting Federal and State clean water standards.

Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/05/07/us-usa-drought-desalination-idUSKBN0NR21J20150507

19. *May 5, Associated Press* – (North Carolina) **State issues more warning about wells near dumps.** The North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources issued a warning May 5 to residents living near Duke Energy's coal ash pits after 152 private wells tested near Duke's dumps failed to meet State groundwater standards and tested positive for high levels of lead, vanadium, and hexavalent chromium. Source: http://www.journalnow.com/news/state_region/state-issues-more-warning-about-wells-near-dumps/article_13734e60-f396-11e4-a2aa-779908fc32eb.html

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Government Facilities Sector

20. *May 6, Bluefield Daily Telegraph* – (West Virginia) **Superintendent: 14 students were treated in bus accident.** Authorities are investigating after 14 students were transported to an area hospital when a school bus slid into a guardrail and into trees in the Hensley area of McDowell County May 5.

Source: http://www.bdtonline.com/news/superintendent-students-were-treated-in-bus-accident/article_fc02c71e-f409-11e4-bfdd-27cda49b6097.html

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Emergency Services Sector

21. *May 6, Associated Press* – (California) **3 accused of operating fictitious police department.** Los Angeles County sheriff's officials reported May 6 that 3 individuals,

including 1 that works for California's attorney general, were arrested and charged the week of April 27 for allegedly claiming to be members of the Masonic Fraternal Police Department, which has jurisdiction in 33 States and Mexico. Authorities found law enforcement-like vehicles and police equipment during a search of a home and an office linked to the group, and believe others may be involved in the operation. Source: http://www.seattlepi.com/news/crime/article/3-accused-of-operating-fictitious-police-6246288.php#photo-7936250

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Information Technology Sector

22. *May 7*, *Softpedia* – (International) **Cisco plugs critical vulnerability in UCS Central Software.** Cisco reported that it released an update addressing a vulnerability in its Unified Computing System (UCS) Central Software versions 1.2 and older that could have allowed attackers to access information, run arbitrary code, or make affected devices unavailable by leveraging an improper input validation flaw in the software's Web framework.

Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Cisco-Plugs-Critical-Vulnerability-in-UCS-Central-Software-480445.shtml

23. *May 7, Softpedia* – (International) **WordPress 4.2.2 fixes DOM-based XSS bug affecting millions of websites.** WordPress developers released a critical security update for the platform's content management system (CMS) addressing a critical cross-site scripting (XSS) flaw in all plugins and themes utilizing the Genericons icon font package, in which attackers could take over an affected Web site or execute code remotely via a document object model (DOM)-based XSS attack targeting a file called "example.html."

Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/WordPress-4-2-2-Fixes-DOM-Based-XSS-Bug-Affecting-Millions-of-Websites-480418.shtml

24. *May 6, Threatpost* – (International) **Lenovo patches vulnerabilities in system update service.** Security researchers from IOActive reported that Lenovo patched three vulnerabilities in April including a serious bug that allows least privileged users to potentially run commands as a system administrator due to the use of a predictable authentication token, another in which an attacker could bypass signature validation by creating a fake certificate authority (CA) to swap out executables being downloaded by System Update, and a third in which local users could run commands as an administrator using a directory writeable by any user.

Source: https://threatpost.com/lenovo-patches-vulnerabilities-in-system-update-service/112647

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Communications Sector

25. *May* 6, *Mitchell Daily Republic* – (South Dakota) **Damaged phone line causes outage** in 10 communities. Crews worked to restore phone service to the remaining 150 Golden West Telecommunications customers across 10 counties in South Dakota May 5 following an outage that lasted over 9 hours due to contractors that inadvertently hit a primary fiber optic line near the Freeman central office.

Source: http://www.mitchellrepublic.com/news/local/3738790-damaged-phone-line-causes-outage-10-communities

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Commercial Facilities Sector

26. *May 7, KABB 29 San Antonio* – (Texas) **Carbon monoxide fumes prompt evacuation.** Residents from about 16 units at the Canyon Spring Apartment Homes
complex in North Bexar County were evacuated for about 4 hours May 6-May 7 due to
air quality concerns that prompted a HAZMAT response. Authorities believe a carpet
cleaning van that was parked at the complex may have been releasing carbon monoxide
fumes that seeped into the building.

Source: http://www.foxsanantonio.com/news/features/top-stories/stories/carbon-monoxide-fumes-prompt-evacuation-12611.shtml

- 27. *May 6, Associated Press* (Washington) **Whatcom County: 45 sick from E. coli outbreak at dairy festival.** The Whatcom County Health Department reported May 6 that 23 E. coli cases have been confirmed and 22 additional cases are pending lab results following an outbreak at the Milk Makers Fest held at the Northwest Washington Fair & Event Center in April. Authorities continue to investigate the source of the outbreak that has hospitalized eight individuals.

 Source: http://www.komonews.com/news/local/Whatcom-health-officials-say-45-sick-from-E-coli-outbreak-302826821.html
- 28. May 6, WCBS 2 New York City; Associated Press (New York) 2 manholes explode, rock buildings, rattle nerves near Penn Station. The New Yorker hotel and the studios of Al Jazeera America were evacuated for several hours May 6 after an underground fire caused two manholes and two gratings to explode in Midtown Manhattan. Area roadways were closed while crews checked carbon monoxide levels in nearby buildings due to smoke and an acid odor that released as a result of the

explosion.

Source: http://newyork.cbslocal.com/2015/05/06/manhole-explosion-penn-station/

29. *May 5*, *Portland Oregonian* – (Oregon) **Fire damage to 30-unit Government Camp condo complex tabbed at \$10.8 million.** Fire officials reported May 5 that damage from a 3-alarm fire that destroyed the Golden Poles Chalet condominium complex in Government Camp, Oregon, April 20 is estimated to total \$10.8 million. The cause of the fire remains under investigation.

Source: http://www.oregonlive.com/clackamascounty/index.ssf/2015/05/post 188.html

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Dams Sector

30. *May 7, Cullman Times* – (Alabama) **Utilities board fined \$57,500 for Duck River ADEM violation.** The Cullman Utilities Board was issued a \$57,500 fine from the Alabama Department of Environmental Management after the agency found 3 deficiencies in 2014 connected to the Best Management Practices (BMPs) being used on the Duck River Dam work site to maintain discharges of large sediment and other pollutants. In addition to the penalty, the utilities board was ordered to correct all violations and maintain effective BMPs.

Source: http://www.cullmantimes.com/news/utilities-board-fined-for-duck-river-adem-violation/article_75694356-f461-11e4-af22-33c120ee5997.html

31. *May* 6, *KCBY* 11 *North Bend* – (Oregon) **Reedsport signs off phase 1, set to launch Levee Certification Program.** The city of Reedsport approved phase one of its Levee Certification Project May 4 which includes surveying the levee and collecting information on the city's storm drain system. Officials reported that phase one will take 4-6 months to complete and that it will help get the levee up to Federal standards and keep the cost of flood insurance low.

Source: http://www.kcby.com/news/local/Reedsport-signs-off-on-phase-1-set-to-launch-Levee-Certification-Project-302839551.html

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